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ORIGIN

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1. The French Government has purchased a Krupp installation from the British Zone of Germany for 3,000,000 RM and is selling it to Werkzeugmaschinenfabrik Emil Bührle & Co., Oerlikon, for the original price plus 600,000 Swiss francs. The rolling mill, which is the most important unit, is to be shipped to the Bührle plant in Argentina for the manufacture of insulation material. A translation of the list of rolling mill machinery to be purchased is presented in the attachment to this report.

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2. The correct name of the new Bührle insulation product is Kopex, and not Kopax, as previously reported in [REDACTED]. The product is to be improved by the substitution of a plastic for the paper in the insulation.
3. British production is carried out by the Kopex Company of London, managed by a Mr. White. Financial arrangements for Bührle in England are handled through a certain Triag, chief manager of the Schroeder Bank in London.

Electrical Equipment

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4. Twelve truckloads of electrical equipment were recently loaded at the Bührle Oerlikon plant and shipped to Yugoslavia. They are reported to have consisted of waterpower installations such as those for which Branko Zlataric was negotiating in connection with the new hydro-electric works in Yugoslavia. According to source, Emil Bührle & Co. will send 12,000,000 Swiss francs worth of equipment in return for 5,000,000 Swiss francs worth of lumber. The Swiss will credit the difference to themselves from the Croatian gold which they still hold. [REDACTED] for other recent disseminations on Bührle-Oerlikon operations.)

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